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C O N F I D E N T I A L BAGHDAD 0551

SUBJECT: BAGHDAD SITREP

1. AS OF NOON OCT 12 SITUATION IN BAGHDAD REMAINS CALM. ONLY EXTERNAL SIGNS OF CRISIS ARE MEDIA BLARINGS AND PAINTING OF ALL CAR HEADLIGHTS BLUE. SOCIAL EVENTS AND TRADE FAIR CONTINUE UNDISTURBED.
2. FEW SECONDHAND REPORTS OF IRAQI ATTITUDES HAVE HEARD INDICATE EXCITEMENT AND GREAT PRIDE IN ARAB PERFORMANCE THUS FAR AND FEAR THAT US WILL BEGIN RESUPPLYING ISRAEL.
3. INDIAN MILATT CONFIRMED THAT ARMOR AND INFANTRY DIVISIONS HAVE GONE WEST (BAGHDAD 549) BUT SAID TWO SQDNS OF SU-7 ALSO SENT FOR TOTAL OF FOUR SQDNS. HE SAID ARMOR DIVISION EQUIPPED WITH T-54 NOT NEW T-62 TANKS WHICH IRAQ RECEIVED THIS SUMMER. HE ALSO SAID TU-22 BOMBERS WERE DEFINITELY FOR IRAQI AIR FORCE BUT IT MOST UNLIKELY THEY WOULD BE COMMITTED TO BATTLE.
4. FRENCH, ITALIANS, AND SWEDES WERE ALSO CALLED IN FOR DEMARCHE ON MERCENARIES (BAGHDAD 548).

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5. OFFICIAL PRESS HAILS FORMIN VISIT TO MOSCOW AND

PODGORNY STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AS EVIDENCE SOVIET
LOYALTY AND SUPPORT AND PROOF THAT SOVIET IRAQI TREATY
CORNERSTONE OF ARAB STRENGTH.
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